



HISTORICAL COMMISSION AGENDA

Thursday, October 20, 2016

7:30 p.m.

City Hall

Conference Room #4

Call to Order

Roll Call

Approval of Historical Commission Minutes from September 15, 2016

1. Update on the Commission Appreciation Dinner
2. Update on the November Holiday Historical Party
3. Update on Historical Signs
4. Update on Collecting Original Sales Brochures of Orrin Thompson Homes in Coon Rapids
5. Work Session for the New Historical Display in the Large Historical Display

Adjourn



Historical Commission - Regular

Meeting Date: 10/20/2016

SUBJECT: Approval of Historical Commission Minutes from September 15, 2016

Attachments

HistoricCommissionSeptember2016Minutes

HISTORICAL COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES OF SEPTEMBER 15, 2016

The September meeting of the Coon Rapids Historical Commission was brought to order by Chairperson Boo Mills at 7:32 P.M. The September meeting was held in Conference Room 4 of the Coon Rapids City Hall.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Tracy Ekberg, Jim Marsolais, Boo Mills, Robert Powell, Jackie Dingley
MEMBERS EXCUSED: Lyle Goff, Luanne Koskinen, Ron Wendel, Bill Peterson
STAFF PRESENT: Ned Storla, Staff Liaison

APPROVAL OF THE AUGUST 18, 2016 HISTORICAL COMMISSION MINUTES WAS MADE BY ROBERT POWELL AND SECONDED BY JACKIE DINGLEY. The Motion Passed Unanimously.

a. Recap of the Historical Society's Suburbia Exhibit

The Commission wanted to extend their appreciation to the Anoka County Historical Society staff for the tour of the Suburbia Exhibit which included the "Rambler Era in Coon Rapids".

b. Update on Historical Signs

The Commission reviewed the actual final Drag Strip sign and approved it. The Commission agreed it turned out better than anyone's original expectations.

c. Brainstorming Ideas for Collecting Original Flyers Used for Selling Orrin Thompson Ramblers

Some Commission members said that they might know of individuals who are still the original owners of Orrin Thompson homes. They will contact them to see if they have any original sale information. Staff Liaison informed the Commission that a dedicated Orrin Thompson Historical Scanning File will be created on the City's newest copier/scanner machine. When individuals bring their sale's information in, it will be scanned in a high quality version but the original sale's information will be given back to the owners.

d. Update on the November Commission Appreciation Dinner

This dinner is scheduled one day before the Coon Rapids Historical Commission November meeting/holiday party, therefore the Commission is looking into moving their holiday party a week earlier. If possible at Kendall's and if not, the party room at the new Muddy Cow (old Tequilaberry's location).

e. Update on the Orrin Thompson Rambler Presentation for the Anoka County Historical Society

Staff Liaison has volunteered the presentation, free of charge, for the Anoka County Historical Society at a date probably this winter depending on the needs of the Society. This will be the first time that the presentation would be given to a County wide venue as opposed to the numerous times it was given only to those living in Coon Rapids.

- f. A mounted plaque of appreciation that was given to Mayor George White was given to the Commission by his wife. A MOTION WAS MADE BY ROBERT POWELL AND SECONDED BY JIM MARSOLAIS TO ACCEPT INTO THE PERMANENT COLLECTION THE PLAQUE GIVEN TO GEORGE WHITE BY “FRIENDS OF COON RAPIDS”. The Motion Passed Unanimously.
- g. World War II Stories

Staff Liaison informed the Commission that the Anoka County Historical Society would appreciate first hand stories of World War II especially those referring to the war years that took place on the “home front”.
- h. The Commission Reviewed Some Items

The Commission reviewed some items in its’ permanent collection and thought it would be a good idea to ask Staff Liaison to switch out the small Historical display case for the “Coon Rapids Hometown Monopoly” game.
- i. The Commission discussed taking down the wedding dress display and putting up the display promoting the new Historical Plaques and other Historical Sites. This installation might happen during October.

MOTION TO ADJOURN BY JIM MARSOLAIS, SECONDED BY TRACY EKBERG. THE COMMISSION ADJOURNED AT 8:27. The Motion Passed Unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Ned Storla, Staff Liaison
NS/dm